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## **BOE Chairman Issues Statement Regarding Government Excellence Award**

**Sacramento** – California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Chairman Jerome E. Horton issued the following statement with regard to being presented the Award for Excellence by a Government Official by the Los Angeles County Bar Association (LACBA) this afternoon.

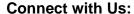
"On behalf of the team of professionals I work with at the State Board of Equalization and the Franchise Tax Board, I thank the Los Angeles County Bar Association and the participants in the 2013 Tax Practitioner's Conference for honoring me with the Award for Excellence by a Government Official," said Chairman Horton. "It has been my aim to enhance the existing good will of the BOE and sustain an agency Californians could trust to accelerate the resolution of problems at the earliest possible stage, and to administer an agency that fosters voluntary tax compliance. I recognize that it is through the collective efforts of the dynamic BOE professionals at the executive and staff levels that I have received this prestigious honor."



(Left to Right) Nancy Stanislawski LACBA, Chairman Horton, and Christopher Matarese, LACBA.

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization's Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board of Equalization collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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